SUNDAY WORLD.

FAVORITE BOOKS OF POPULAR PREACHERS. NOTED CLUB AND FAMILY COOKS. A WORLD REPORTER'S TIGER HUNT. COPIES OF RECENT GREAT PAINTINGS.



NO NEWS OF THE RAFT.

Mariners are Very Cautious.

to mariners now would be information that the derelict monster raft that has been cruis-

ing independently in unknown waters for the

past week had been captured and safely

towed to port. Unfortunately, however,

such information as yet is not forthcoming.

Theoretically, that is all right. Practically,

derelict.

Those who know Capt. McCalla declare that if any one can find the raft it will be he, and that now he has started in pursuit he will not abandon the search until his massive cables

are attached to stem and stern of the struc-ture and it is safely being taken to port. Instructions have been given to bring it when found to the nearest harbor. So when it is found, if ever, the information will be

not long in reaching this city.

News is being hourly awaited, and each inward steamer's commander is closely questioned as to any knowledge of the dangerous float.

THEY PLAYED BY THE HOUR.

Fort Hamilton Musicians Dony that

They Cut Under the Union Rates. Band Sergeant Joseph F. Hemandez, of the

been nothing heard from them.

anxious shipowners.



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A FEW FEATURES

SUNDAY WORLD.

A NIGHT IN BELLEVUE HOSPITAL. AMONG NEW YORK THIEVES. FAITH CURE AND ITS FOLLOWERS. A CHRISTMAS STORY BY BILL NYE.

PRICE ONE CENT.

READING'S COAL

THE COMPANY DETERMINED NOT TO MAKE CONCESSIONS.

An Order Issued to Take None of the Strikers Back, But Afterwards Rescinded-Crowds of Idle Men at Port Richmond and Elizabethport-A Conference to b Held To-Day-Hopes of a Settlement.

SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.1

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Over one thousand of the Reading Railroad's hands in this city struck yesterday. Coming on the eve of a great crisis in the anthracite coal regions, where many thousands are waiting the decision on the first of the year of their wage demands, this action is full of danger.

At Port Richmond this morning the Reading Railroad hands were all idle and many of them were drunk. There were some nonunion men at work, but they were a small crowd in comparison with the number who went out yesterday and who remain out

to-day.

A long string of engines remain idle on the trestles, and very little freight is being han-

General Manager McLeod said this morn-ing that enough non-union men were at work to handle the business, and he expected the

to handle the business, and he expected the strikers to return to work next week.

The company, he said, would not put up with anything of the sort attempted yesterday. He had received no advices of trouble at other points in this city where it was rumored this morning that the hands would refuse to handle all trains except those carrying passengers and perishable freight.

freight.
Superintendent Whiting, of the company,
meets the miners at Pottsville to-day, and
will present the company's ultimatum, which
is that it will adhere to its agreement of September with the men and expects them to do

ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 24.—The coal tieup at Elizabethport to-day is nearly general, only a few men being working on the piers of the Central Railroad Company. The Reading docks presented a deserted ap-

Reading docks presented a deserted appearance.

A World reporter who called at 'h' shipping office and interviewed General C r Inspector Metzler, of Philadelphia, wh had arrived early in the morning.

Mr. Metzler explained that the object of his visit was to put men to work in place of those discharged. He said emphatically that none of the old men would be taken back.

"The company," he continued, "prefers to get men living in this city to fill the vacancies, if possible."

"If not we will bring men from elsewhere to handle the coal. I am now ready to employ any that may present themselves, and especially I want to hire engineers and brakemen in place of those who quit.

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The Reading has taken a firm stand in this matter, and I, as an official of the company, can say that no concessions will be made.

"We have treated the men at this place well, and gave them 22% cents when all the other companies around here have paid only

cother companies around here have paid only mocents.

"We have also made other concessions, and despite this the men now try to cripple us. As common carriers we are bound to take freight and must load boats that are sent to our docks for cargoes of coal."

"It's all off. I have just received word to employ men and come back at once to Philadelphia. I start on the next train."

"What's off ?" queried the reporter. "Is it the strike?"

"Oh, no!" replied Mr. Metzler. "I mean what I said about hiring men is ended. Some new developments have taken place this morning which has caused the company to rescind its instructions to me.

"I don't believe however, the company I don't believe, however, the company

EFFECTS OF THE STRIKE.

al Likely to Go Up in Price Unless

The Reading strike came like a clap of thunder from a clear sky. The company has up to this time successfully avoided trouble of this sort, and Austin Corbin, the President, hopes to straighten the differences between the road and its men speedily, though the situation is different from what it has been on any former

some muriatic matches, three matches and what seemed to be a quantity of explosive gun-cotton.

The machine was inclosed in a cardboard box nine inches long and two inches deep, constructed in the same manner as the largest sized match-boxes. It was brought by a thirteen-year-old boy to the second floor of 46 West Twenty-third street, in which is the office of the Conservatory of Music, of which Lieut. May is Secretary, and of which his father, Dr. W. H. May, is manager.

The package was addressed in a disguised hand, apparently a woman. The boy who delivered it took his departure at an easy gait, and young Mr. May cautiously opened the box. He was prompted to do it cautiously by a sulphurous smell which proceeded from the interior.

No explosion occurred, but Lieut. May satisfied himself of the deadly nature of the contents of the box by taking part of the gunpowder to a retired corner of the office and exploding it.

Then he got his father to take the box to the Thirtieth street police station-house. Detectives were put on the track of the messenger boy.

The matter is still a mystery. Dr. Edson has the box. He will anaylize the the contents after Christmas.

A World reporter called on young Mr. May this morning. occasion.

Henry W. Maxwell, of Mr. Corbin's office, says: "Mr. Corbin has always listened to the men and they have considered him their friend. He is reasonable and listens to reason, but there are some things about which there can be no talk.

"The Reading is a common carrier. It cannot make distinctions between its cus-

cannot make distinctions between its customers. As well say we must not carry your editor as a passenger because our men don't think you get salary enough."

Charles M. Taylor's Sons, who represent the elevator company, say that they control the Allan Line pier at Port Richmond, and their men, with them since August, were recently raised \$4 a month in pay and are perfectly satisfied. They will continue these men in their employment.

The Reading road carries about one-third of all the coal supply of this city. There is only about 114,000 tons of coal at the stocking points, and despite last winter's coal famine, caused by the long strike of coal-handlers, when coal went up to \$9\$ and \$10\$ a ton, the dealers here have not provided

ton, the dealers here have not provided against a similar trouble. Last year the Reading men refused to join in the strike, but they may be backed up by

JAMES MILLER'S FATE.

The Body of the Old Rent Collector Claimed

Coroner Levy this morning received a telegram from the romantic correspondent of James Miller, who was found dead beside his erazy wife at 357 West Sixteenth street yesterday. It was dated West Wayne, Pa., and

stated that Miller had a nephew named Will-iam Vail residing in Brooklyn.

Vail called at the Coroner's office to-day to claim the body, which will be sent to Morris-town, N. J., for interment.

The Coroner had another caller in connec-tion with the case in the person of a repre-sentative of the Mutual Life Insurance Com-pany, who claimed that the two checks for \$34 each found in Miller's pockets were in payment for rent of one of the company's houses which was collected by Miller Tues-day.

day.

Mrs. Miller is still alive at the New York
Hospital. She has not yet been able to Hospital, She has answer questions,

A Buffalo Merchant in Trouble, Francis W. Otheinan, of 317 West Thirty-third street, who is a member of the firm of Otheinan, Dyer & Southwick, importers of dry goods, appeared as complainant in the Harlem Police Court this morning against Louis W. Brock, of 255 North street, Burslo, N. Y.

The complainant charges Brock with the larceny EVENING EDITION.

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EVENING EDITION.

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of one bale of worsted suiting, valued at \$164.24. The real amount involved, however, is said to be some \$40,000, which Brock & Weiner, of Boffalo, owe-i O heinan. Dur & Southwick on account.

The charge was made that the Euffalo firm got credit terough a false statement of its assets. Mr. Brock was released on ball to appear for examination next Friday.

MRS. FORBES'S ADVENTURE.

Victim of Morphine Who Says She Wat Robbed Twice.

Charles S. Forbes, an agent for the Marvin Safe Company and residing at Stamford, Conn., visited Inspector Williams yesterday in search of his wife, Lillian, who left her home at the Arlington House in Stamford on Wednesday and failed to return.

Mrs. Forbes is addicted to the morphine habit, he said, and only last May was taken home from the Asylum for the Insane at Middletown, N. Y., where she had been confined several months.

Her conduct was regular, Mr. Forbés

Her conduct was regular, Mr. Forbés stated, until very recently, when she grew restless, and he suspected that she was using morphine freely.

On Wednesday night he received a telegram from her asking for money to come home with, and saying that she had been robbed. The despatch was sent from the branch office of the Western Union in Broadway near Houston street.

Mr. Forbes instantly started for this city, arriving here at midnight. He had sent his wife an order for money to pay her way home, but she did not arrive.

On reaching the telegraph office he learned that his wife had been there, was in a very excited condition and had hastened away after sending the telegram. After she departed, one of the messengers picked up on the floor a pawn ticket for a scalskin muff.

"She wore a valuable sealskin sacque," said Mr. Forbes to Inspector Williams, "and that will go next."

When asked if he had made a diligent

it does not amount to anything. And again, there is materially more of the raft under water than above, so that the tides would exert a more powerful influence than the

when asked if he had made a diligent search for her, Mr. Forbes replied that he had not. He said that he had done everything in his power to make her surroundings comfortable, in the hope that her mental balance which is the search of the s

comfortable, in the hope that her mental balance might be recovered.

Last summer he took her to a fashionable hotel at Lenox, Mass., and her quarters in the Arlington House at Stamford were especially pleasant.

Inspector Byrnes promised to do what he could, and Mr. Forbes went away.

But Mrs. Forbes saved the police the trouble of searching for her. Last evening she entered Police Headquarters in an excited state of mind and complained that she had been robbed. The first time, she said, was on the New Haven Railroad train, coming to this city, when \$100 was stolen from her.

was on the New Haven Railroad train.coming to this city, when \$100 was stolen from her. To secure funds, she said, she pawned her sealskin sacque, valued at \$300, to a Bowery concern for \$60. As she was entering a cab after leaving the pawn-shop, she declared, the driver pushed her away, stole her pocket-book containing the \$60 and the pawn-ticket and drove hurriedly off.

The detectives in charge of Inspector Byrnes office at night, noticed that she was greatly excited, and at times very incoherent, but were not prepared for a fainting spell which followed a paroxysm that overcame her.

her.

An ambulance was called and Mrs. Forbes was sent to Bellevue Hospital. The surgeon there said that she was suffering from hysteria. The morphine, aided by liquor which she admitted she had drank, brought on a

she admitted she had drank, brought on a temporary fit of insanity.

Mr. Forbes took charge of his wife this morning and will remove her to her home in Stamford, where she will be closely watched to prevent another outbreak in the future.

The robbery story, Mr. Forbes and Inspector Williams believe, has no foundation except in the insane wanderings of Mrs. Forbes's mind.

less Persocution.

among his fellowmen, and he glories therein exceedingly. . The most recent event in young Mr. May's

checkered career was the delivery to him yes-terday afternoon of an infernal machine con-taining a quarter of a pound of gunpowder, some muriatic matches, three matches and what seemed to be a quantity of explosive

The "Little Church Around the Corner " dis-

pensed its usual Curistmas charities this morning

to the poor of its parkst, in the shape of a basketful or good things for a Christmas dinner to each,
Every one who comes gets a turkey and enough
more to insure a comfortable Christmas least. The
long line of applicants extending down the street
in front of the church, each armed with a goodsized basket, is a familiar sight at Christmaside
to those living in the vicinity. No one ever goes
away disappointed.

A Daring Imposter

in the New York Ledger. Out to-day. For said

ECCHESTER LAMP Headquarters, 25 Warren 6t,

the title of Major Alfred R. Calhoun's new story

away disappointed.

at all news stands, ...

Curious things are constantly hap-

MANY ENEMIES AFTER HIM. Young Lieut, May's Sad Tale of a Relent-

port of the Musical Protective Union to the effect that his band played for the Knights of Labor picnic last summer at less than union rates.

He says that on the occasion in question he provided ten men to play on the horse-cars which took about a hundred Knights of Labor employed on the Hamilton avenue car line in Brooklyn from Twenty-third street and Fifth avenue, Brooklyn, to the Broadway Park picnic ground.

The trip occupied two hours and each man received \$1.50 per hour, the full union rate.

The misconception, Mr. Hernandez explains, arose from the belief that his band played for dancing in the picnic grounds Lieut, Percy P. May, of the Eleventh Reg. iment, is a curious young man with a curious pening to him. He is pursued by relentless enemies, who try in every possible way to humiliate him and make his name a byword

played for dancing in the picnic grounds from 3 p. m. until midnight.

Another band performed the work and was paid separately therefor. The Brocklyn Knights of Labor, he says, have always em-ployed union musicians and paid full union

BELIEVED TO BE A JOKE.

The Jersey City Freight Car Mystery Novertheless to be Investigated.

The two bloody skirts and the slungshot found in Wabash freight-ear 23,196, in the Eric Railroad yard, Jersey City, are lying at

Eric Hailroad yard, Jersey City, are lying at Police Headquartors, Jersey City, awaiting a clue to their history. Chief Murphysaid to a Woald reporter this morning:

"I believe that the whole matter is a put up job. I don't think there is any blood on the stuff, it looks more like crushed fruit."

The red coloring on the skirts was liquid when found. The Chief believes that in travelling all the way from East St. Louis blood would have coagulated.

At the office of the company the same theory seemed to be favored. Nevertheless, Special Detective W. C. Broas will be sent over the line on Tuesday in search of a clue.

DEATH CAUSED BY A GRAPE SEED. Ledging in the Appendix Vermiformis and Bringing on Peritonitie.

The death of Andrew Wright, of 33 West Seventy-second street, which is announced in the morning papers, resulted from peritotents after Christmas.

A World reporter called on young Mr.
May this morning.

Mr. May said that he had a great many enemies and that they were persecuting him.
He occasionally recevied letters written by a woman threatening him with all kinds of harm. On one day in March, 1886, a woman called him out of the Conservatory of Music and horsewhipped him.

At another time a man in an uptown club tried to run him through with a sword. In many other ways his enemies tried to do him harm and cause him annoyance. He has nitis, which ran its course with remarkable

nitis, which rain its course was remarkable rapidity.

An autopsy made yesterday disclosed the fact that the disease was brought on by the lodging of a grape seed in the small intestine known as the appendix vermiformis. Cases of this kind are extremely rare and usually attract much attention in the medical profession.

Mr. Wright was a member of the firm of W. & J. Sloane & Co.

'Longshoremen Ready to Unite. The work of inducing the longstoremen to send delegates to the convention to be held in this city

harm and cause him annoyance. He has borne it all in a very meek spirit. When he was promoted to be a Lieutenant in the Eleventh Regiment he made some bit-ter enemies, who attacked him through the columns of a Sunday weekly paper. on March i for the purpose of forming a National Diatrict Assembly of the Knights of Labor, is going on favorably. Organizations have been heard from in twenty States, and more are expected to respond. Secretary Litchman has sent out a cir-cular from the Knights' headquarters, calling upon all local organizations to send representatives to the meeting.

> Ten-Dollar Gold Pieces Given Away. Mesars. A. H. King & Co., the Broadway cloth-iers, seem determined to outdo their competitors in the originality and liberality of their advertise-

ments.

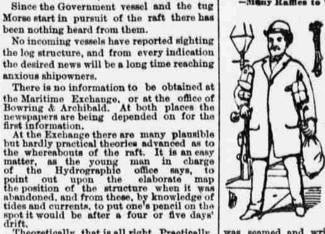
To-day this enterprising firm are giving away to their costomers ten-solar gold pleces as thristmas presents, and the result is that Broadway is througed with a jolly crowd who aim to reap the benefit of the cioliters generosity.

One hundred bright new eagles were placed in Mesars. King & Ca. **show window at 9 A. M. today. Mr. E. O. Stratton, of 556 East Fritherh street, took the first ten-doiler coin at 2.3 L. M., and its fellows are rapidly being dealt out to the lucky ones. Mr. King says he will distribute 1,000 during the day. Surely no more desirable Christmas present could be suggested.

MERRY CHRISTMAS FOR ALL. It is Drifting Somewhere in Mid-Ocean, and

HOLIDAY SCENES AND INCIDENTS IN CITY About the most acceptable Christmas gift STREETS AND HOMES.

> In Extra Quarter that Brightened a Squalid Home-Christmas Trees Ready to Bear the Most Remarkable Fruit-Expectations from Three Holidays All Together -Many Raffles to Take Place To-Night.



T was very cold last evening, and the whistling wind that came rushing down Grand street must have cut clear through the thin trousers and thin legs of a bent old man who stood before one of those fearfully overladen stands-overladen with great heaps of tawdry and gimcracks with a faraway , dreamy gaze. A Wonld reporter

stopped close beside the figure. The face was seamed and wrinkled and gray. The hair was very thin and grayer still. The hands were plunged down deep into the big pockets of a thin old overcoat, the collar of which was turned up.

The reporter shivered in his ulster, but the thin-clad figure was even too absorbed to shiver.

exert a more powerful influence than the wind.

It is a fact just the same, however, that the changing winds are what will cause the difficulty in placing the raft. If one could figure on a permanent wind from any quarter, he could be guided somewhat in his search.

With gales from one quarter to-day, and from all the other points of the compass the next, taken in conjunction with the action of the currents, leaves one in as much of a quandary as ever, so that while it may be safely said that the logs have probably moved southward, and are now in the course of steamships, from Mediterranean ports, at least, if not in the course of all transatlantic steamers, nothing more can be predicted safely about them.

The greatest confidence is placed in the commander of the United States steamer Enterprise, which is making a search for the derelict. Then there was a sound like the soft, first chirrup of a chicken. It came from the right-hand pocket, and, glancing over the heterogeneous collection on the stand, the reporter speedily jumped at the conclusion that the thin and wrinkled right hand was squeezing the chirrup out of one of those rubber eggs from one end of which appears the yellow hued head of a rubber chicken, breaking the shell.

"That's for the baby," mused the man; and he drew forth the other old hand and counted in its palm 25 cents. Then his old eyes wandered over the articles on the stand

So absorbed was he that he heeded not that another quarter was dropped into the halfopen palm. But presently, when he had sebetted a bristling, bumptious Jack-in-the-box, and turned to his money again, he was to astonished that he dropped the Jack and uevoted both hands to counting, holding wach piece up to the flickering flame of the paphtha lamp that shed its uncertain rays over she stand

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He looked on the ground as if he had lost something. He abstractedly felt in all his pockets, then counted the money again, and was sorely puzzled. Then a leok of fright came over the old face, and he cast a sus-picious glance at the scurrying people near him, and with that set off hurriedly down the

Fifth United States Artillery, stationed at street.
The reporter followed him and saw him Fort Hamilton, contradicts on behalf of his The reporter followed him and saw him purchase a Jack and a little book said a little sack of candy at another stand. Then the man stood stock still for fully five minutes, evidently overwhelmed by the responsibility that was upon him to spend the windfall quarter judiciously, for the small change was all gone. men certain allegations made in a recent report of the Musical Protective Union to the all gone.

At last he hurried to a bakery, and there a bag filled with cakes, doughnuts and a wee little pie was secured, and a few remaining pennies coaxed an Italian fruit vender to drop three big red apples into the big pockets of the old coat

the old coat.

The reporter saw the old man finally enter a narrow hallway, which led to one of those diamal, dark and filthy, rear tenments of which the city ought to be ashamed, and

which the city ought to be ashamed, and he had the satisfaction of knowing that he had added 100 per cent to the Christmas celebration of three little ones to whom Christmas is largely a legend.

Christmas is essentially the children's holiday, and he who fails to make at least one child joyou; who would not otherwise be happy has lost to himself one piece of happiness. If you don't believe us, try it!

For a month the streets and avenues of New York have been full of laughing, joyous life. For a week throngs, swarms of fathers and mothers and brothers and sisters and uncles and aunts and sons and daughters and

uncles and aunts and some and daughters and uncles and aunts and some and daughters and sweethearts have been going about among the shops with light but desperately secret hearts, with their hands on their pocket-books and their eyes alert for somethings to remind dear friends that Christmas is at The whole city is gay to-day in anticipa-

The whole city is gay to-day in anticipa-tory pleasure, and to-morrow morning, while the chimes of Old Trinity are pealing forth the anthems of the coming of the manger-cradled babe of Nazareth, half a million chil-dren in this big town will awaken and know what pranks Kris Kringle has been playing at their house while they slept. diggift grading beginn it more than



BUYING TOYS FOR THE CRILDREN. May every one of the half million find in his or her stocking something to bring forth a shout of delight. There is no Christmas chime so beautiful, no carol so sweet and melodious as the joyous laugh of the child who has been kindly remembered by Santa



proaching festival and slyly drop quarters into the hand of the "hoist-boy" and poke good-humored jokes into his ribs with their thumbs.

The telegraph messenger boys get special tips and the "Merry Christmas" card on the castor at the restaurant makes the busy diner

castor at the restaurant makes the busy diner become suddenly extravagant and gorge him-self with roast pig or turkey and cramberry sauce and recklessly finish up with a silver "Merry Christmas" to the waiter. The more thrifty of the bootblacks decorate their breezy chairs in holiday green, and they too are "remembered" by their patrons. Newsboys gather in a dollar or two "scale" during the day from buyers of papers.



GIFTS FROM SANTA CLAUS.

Employers "give something" to their hands, and it is surprising the number of presentations which are made at Christmas

hands, and it is surprising the number of presentations which are made at Christmas to bosses, superintendents, colonels and honorables by spentaneous delegations, a "few friends" and the like.

And the beauty of it all is that whether your gift be a seal-kin sacque, or a gold watch, a jumping-Jack or a nickel's worth of sweetmeats, the receiver is made happy, and you are yourself in a better mood.

Christmas trees will be sung and pranced about to-night, to-morrow night and Monday night in ten thousand homes, and Santa Claus will appear in a hundred places at once, most unaccountably.

The trees, all ready for setting out in the genial soil of New York homes, have been coming in by the carload from the mountains of this State and Pennsylvania, and, nourished by the warm sun of loving hearts, will blossom and bear most remarkable fruit, to be gathered by the ubiquitous Santa Claus.

Big stockings, just right to hold sweet opera slippers, and little stockings into which wondrous dellies and prancing horses and elevated railway trains may be crowded, will be hung to-night by the fireside by the little people whose faith in Santa Claus the distrust and watchfulness of their clders to shame.

And there will be many stockings unworthy

And there will be many stockings unworthy And there will be many stockings unworthy
the name—stockings without toes or heels,
and their woof will not be stretched too
much by the Saint's gifts to-morrow morning. Then, in some places, there will be no
stockings at all, and perhaps it is as well, for
Santa Claus has lost many names from his
directory.

But in the main—why not say in all?—Christman will be a joly day. The elevated trains

mas will be a jolly day. The elevated trains to-day are packed full with people who carry enough bundles and packages of presents to fill the trains comfortably, and if it wasn't for the holiday feelings of the trainmen they would swear and jostle and order people much more gruffly than at other times of the

year.
Of course there must be Christmas balls and parties. Christmas would be almost a mockery without them. But they will not some till Monday night, and then Christmas will be given a wind-up commensurate with its three days of celebration because it falls on Sunday.

The saloons have been decked out in holi-

melodious as the joyous laugh of the child who has been kindly remembered by Santa Claus.

Everybody is or should be happy on Christmas. Everybody has been getting ready to be happy for a week at least. The elevator boys in the high baildings downtown have festooned their cars with holly and ivy and roses, and stern business men who have done nothing but grumble for eleven menths and some odd days permit the lines of their faces to relax under the influence of the ap-

served to-morrow! Let it be turkey or roast pig, or goose or duck or chickens, or only a bit of chuck beef for a basis, and wind up with plum pudding or mince pie or apples and nuts. It matters little which or what, if the spirit of Christmas is present and the dinner is washed down with copious draughts of love, charity and contentment. These are the sauces that add unequalled zest to the meanest fare.

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Of course hearts are too full for anything but home, husband and wife and little ones to night, but Monday night! Then take wife to the theatre, and perhaps a prelude of matine with the children would be enjoyed.

Three days of Christmas afford ample time for the enjoyment of the usual pleasures of three Christmases. Who would have the day changed from Sunday to a work-day?

New Yorkers at least seem to have prepared for three days of unalloyed fun, and they have begun already to enjoy it.

Copies of Recent Great Paintings. See the Sunay WORLD. Three cents.

JOURNALIST FALES'S SLY MARRIAGE. Half a Dozen Young Men Meet His Wife at

Dinner Without Knowing It. Half a dozen young men were at a wedding dinner in this city last night, and not one of them was aware of that fact. Paradoxical as the statement may sound, it is nevertheless true. Furthermore, it may be said that these guests were in full possession of their faculties when they began their dinner, and here is not the slightest evidence to show that their intelligence was impaired during

the repast. Journalist Fales, chubby and beaming, was the host. The invitation was issued uncere-moniously. It was accepted "without frills," as the saying is.

frills," as the saying is.

When the guests arrived, however, they noticed an extremely pretty young girl, brown eyed and pleasing, in the room. If they winked at one another, and mentally set Journalist Fales down as "a sly dog," that worthy individual never knew it.

They were introduced to the lady, and she proved to be Miss Mary McCann, who has been playing in the "Fitznoodle" company, which disbanded a few days ago in New Haven, not on Miss McCann's account, however.

ven, not on Miss McCann's account, however.

After a charming repast the guests departed, Journalist Fales had proved an extremely agreeable host, and Miss Mary McCann a very amiable addition to the company. The young men wondered a little—young men will when everything isn't quite clear to them—but they went home happy.

They will now be surprised to hear that the lady they dined with was not Miss Mary McCann, but Mrs. Journalist Fales, the wife of their chubby host. The couple were married yesterday afternoon in a Catholic church, and if the ceremony was devoid of formality it had at least one noteworthy witness in the person of Mrs. Louise Gates, *

"Fitznoodle" is to be reorganized and is to open at Havlin's Theatre, Cincinnati, in a short time. It is not known whether Mrs. Journalist Fales will resign from the company or whether Mr. Journalist Fales will join it. Such matters take time to settle.

DIED IN AN INEBRIATE ASYLUM.

Dr. Richards-Fnirehild Falls a Victim to Intemperance.

Dr. H. S. Richards-Fairchild, once prominent sporting man and theatrical manager, and the owner of one of the largest patent medicine concerns in the world, has just died in the Inebriates Home at Fort Hamilton, where he was an inmate. He was very wealthy and owned a handsome resi-dence in New Brunswick, N. J. He had been suffering from heart trouble for a year past.

Several Injured by a Boiler Explosion.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Dec. 24.—The boller in the enitting mills at this place exploded tols morning. Several people were seriously injured and many others slightly hurt. The building and machinery were badly wrecked.

Mr. Manning's Vitality Exhausted. ALBANY, Dec. 24.—Mr. Manning's physicians say that he may live through the day, but that he cau-

not survive another night. His vitality is almost One of the best ways to begin the year 1888 would

be to buy No. 40 of the New York Ledger, containing the opening chapters of "A Daring Impostor," the story of an innocent convict. Out to-day. For sale at all news stands, "."

LASTEDITION MANNING DEAD

He Breathed His Last To-day at Albany.

Bright's Disease Proves Fatal to the Great Democrat.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] ALBANY, Dec. 24-1.40 P.M .- Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Daniel Manning has just died. All the family were present at the death bed



DAN MANNING.

Daniel Manning was bore in Albany, in August 1831, his line ge being Irish, English and Dutch his parents were too poor to keep him at school, but he had a natural taste for learning and devoted

lest, his line-ge being Irish, English and Dutch his parents were too poor to keep him at school, but he had a natural taste for learning and devoted all of his spare moments to study. As an apprentice in the office of the Aibany Argus he rose steadily to the position of proprietor. His newspaper experience served to gain him a wide acquaintance with public mea, which later served him to great purpose.

At about the close of the war Mr. Manning became city editor of the paper, and from that time on was a prominent sgure in local politics. When the later uprising in the State that made banuel J. Tilden Governor, Manning cordaily and ably supported the reform administration, and began that close friendship with Mr. Tilden which existed until the death of the latter. In 1871 Mr. Cassidy died, and Manning became the manager of the Argus and subsequent with President of the company. He made large improvements in the business facilities of the paper, and was the sole inspiration of its pronounced opinions on men, politics and office of the paper, and was the sole inspiration of its pronounced opinions on men, politics and measures. In 1873 he was made a member of the Democratic State Central Committee, and in 1882 became its Chairman. He was not at first friendly to the nomination of Mr. Cleveland for Governor of New York, but afterwards supported him with virgor. In the new Governor Mr. Manning defected qualities that after an era of Republican orruption and misrule were demanded in the Presidential office, and he was among the first to recognize Mr. Cleveland's availability as a Presidential office, and he was among the first to recognize Mr. Cleveland's availability as a presidential office, and he was among the first to recognize Mr. Cleveland's availability as a presidential office, and he was among the first to recognize Mr. Cleveland's availability as a president in the Chicago Convention, and his successful openition of the party that wished to compass Mr. Cleveland's availability as a president of the party

nand to the minimise. He ourse the in daigns of reientlessly, but gradually was sowing the seeds of a dread disease that was to suddenly strike him down. He had a strong constitution, but, like many men, considered it stronger than it really

down. He had a strong constitution, but, like many men, considered it stronger than it really was.

In Bright's disease medical aid is unavailing and extraneous sympathy contra for nothing. Busy as ne was in Aluany, he tound himself at Was legton in an unaccustomed position, with a pressure for appointments which a much stronger man could not have withstood. Instead of leaving work for his subordinates he tried to use his Albany methods; he tried to do to truch. Very naturally he broke down and never since fully recovered.

Soon after coming of age Mr. Manning married down and never since fully recovered.

Soon after coming of age Mr. Manning married dary Little of this city, whom he met while visiting friends in Albany. Mrs. Manning died about six years ago, leaving four children. The oldest, James H., is st present managing editor of the Aryus. Anastala, the second, is the wife of John S. Delahanry. Arestant District-Attorney. Frederick C. is the agent of the Aryus, and Maile, a very pretry little mas woo is still in her teens, attends a private school in New York. His present wite, to whom he was married in November, 1884, is the daughter of Wm. J. Fryer, real estate agent of this city, and is connected by marriage with the family of Mr. P. P. Pratt, of Buffalo.

Mrs. Manning is in the early thirties, a tall, siender and handsome blonde. See is descended from a branch of the family of Chancelor Livingstone, who amministered the cast of office to the first President. She has all the charms of the ladies of those model cars of feminine loveliness, and was wise in counsel as well as devoted in her home life.

Mr. Manning's success in public life was all the cast of great State, which was almost equally divided between the two great parties, he became acquainted with the springs of human action by which the great masses of men are swayed. He was pre-eminently the politician of the Cabina, and was one of the most striking figures in the political revers on that brought an old party again into power and new person

CODMAN'S WILL BROKEN.

Bad News for the Bandsome Mrs. Violet Kimball.

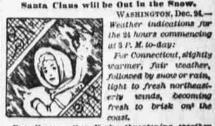
ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD. Boston, Dec. 24 .- The jury in the Codman will case agreed on a verdict about 11 o'clock last evening and went home after handing in

last evening and went nome after handing in a sealed verdict.

The jury agree that the will and both codicils were legally executed by John Amory Codman, but that he was of unsound mind at the time when each was made.

They agreed that the will and the first codicil were produced by the undue influence of Mrs. Violet Kimball and Mr. Derter, and the second codicil by the undue influence of Mr. Hodgdon.

Santa Claus will be Out in the Snow.



For Eastern New York, threatening weather followed by snow, slightly warmer, light to fresh cariable winds, except becoming fresh to bride northeasterly winds and partly as rain in south

Poverty Sita Gracefully

on some people. But pain is wretchedness to all who de not use WOLCOTT'S PAIN PAINT, Of druggists.